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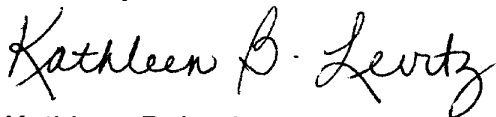
Re: CC Docket No. 96-98

Dear Ms. Salas:

This is to give notice that on September 8, 1999 I sent the attached written ex parte to Dorothy Atwood, legal advisor to Chairman Kennard.

In accordance with Section 1.1206(b)(1), I am filing two copies of this notice in the docket identified above. If you have any questions concerning this, please call me.

Sincerely,



Kathleen B. Levitz

Attachment

cc: Dorothy Atwood
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Ms. Dorothy Atwood
Legal Advisor to Chairman Kennard
Federal Communications Commission
Room 8-C231
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: CC Docket No. 96-98

Dear Ms. Atwood:

On September 2, 1999, Jonathan Banks, Robert Blau, and I, representing BellSouth, met with you to discuss issues relating to the Commission's UNE Remand proceeding. During that meeting we noted the difficulty that incumbent local exchange carriers had in determining the full extent to which in a given market, alternative facilities to ILEC loops and transport were present. You suggested that BellSouth might want to develop a list of the kinds of information that the Commission might decide to request from parties to this proceeding in order to determine whether such alternatives were in fact present in a particular market. Responding to your suggestion, we have prepared the attached. If after reviewing it, you have any questions, please call me at 202.463.4113.

In accordance with Section 1.1206(b)(1), I am filing two copies of this written ex parte presentation with the Secretary of the Commission and requesting that it be associated with the record of CC Docket No. 96-98.

Sincerely,



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Below are questions that the FCC could ask of individual CLECs to aid the Commission in its effort to identify those markets for which there are competitive alternatives to ILEC transport facilities.

Where are the facilities that you use to provide exchange and exchange access telecommunications services? In which cities or geographic areas are these facilities operational? Do you have additional planned transmission routes? If so, where, by city?

Do you operate fiber rings, point to point facilities, or both? Indicate if you have more than one fiber route within a city or MSA? Specify the location(s).

List each ILEC central office, by CLLI code, where you have entrance facilities. Include central offices where you meet the ILEC immediately outside the central office and the ILEC places the connecting cables into its central office.

Provide a list of all other telecommunications carriers' (including interexchange carriers') switching offices or POPs where you have entrance facilities. Indicate if the facility or fiber ring is also routed through an ILEC central office, i.e., if you can transport telecommunications directly between an IXC's office and an ILEC's office without going through a switch.

Provide geographical maps of deployed and planned transmission facilities.

Assuming reasonable compensation, does your corporate policy allow you to wholesale your facilities? Is it part of your business plan to sell some portion of your transmission facilities or transmission capacity at wholesale to any unaffiliated carriers? Do you currently wholesale your transmission facilities to any other telecommunication carriers? If you do currently wholesale to others, in what MSAs are you now doing so? Do you currently lease wholesale transmission facilities from others? If so, in what MSAs do you lease from others?

What types of customers do you serve with your own transmission facilities?

- Large or Small Business End Users
- Residence End Users
- IXC
- Other unaffiliated CLECs or CAPs
- Wireless providers
- CATV providers
- ESPs
- Resellers
- Any others

Does the parent company of your facility based CLEC hold a part or whole ownership of an interexchange carrier? If so please provide the name(s) of the interexchange carrier(s). Provide the percentage of their IC POPs in which you share entrance facilities for facility based CLEC operations.

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